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SAC, New York

10/10/69

Director, FBI

ROBERT G. WILMERS

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Enclosed captioned [redacted]

(UNSEC), Robert G. Wilmers, [redacted]

dated 10/2/69. *W.C.*

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Bureau files disclose Robert G. Wilmers, Deputy Finance Administrator, for the City of New York, was interviewed by Bureau officials on 5/4/67, accompanied by [redacted] City of New York, and [redacted] a Washington representative of the City of New York, in connection with the problem of the 'bootlegging' of cigarettes in New York City. These New York City officials made inquiry as to whether or not the Bureau had jurisdiction over the investigation of cases involving the interstate transportation of cigarettes. The Bureau's lack of jurisdiction in this matter was explained to them as reported in Bureau letter to New York captioned "Unreported Interstate Shipment of Cigarettes Matters, New York Division, dated 5/5/67, Bureau file 62-91502, New York file 62-13662. Bureau files also disclose that one Robert Wilmers, not further identified, was mentioned on page 4 of your letter dated 4/29/69 captioned [redacted] file [redacted]

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Submit your recommendations concerning interview of Wilmers upon the completion of your investigation. If you recommend interview, utilize Form ID-370.

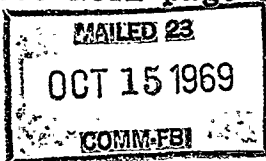
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Letter to New York  
Re: Robert G. Wilmers

NOTE:

[redacted] is Soviet employed at UNSEC.  
During surveillance of [redacted] by NY, he was observed in  
contact with the subject who is an official of the NY City  
Government. NY has opened separate case on subject to develop  
background information. Results of Bureau file review being  
furnished to NY. We have no information at this time that  
Soviet is affiliated with Soviet intelligence.

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Date: 10/2/69

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

(UNSEC)

(OO:NY)

ROBERT G. WILMERS

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Enclosed herewith are the original and 6 copies of an LHM, dated and captioned as above. It has been classified "Confidential" as it indicates an interest on the part of the FBI in a Soviet employee of the United Nations (UN).

SA [REDACTED] observed [REDACTED] on surveillance on 9/29/69, in contact with an individual subsequently identified as ROBERT G. WILMERS, residing at 15 West 81st Street, NYC. The doorman who initially identified ROBERT G. WILMERS as a resident of 15 West 81st Street, could not at this time be identified because of security reasons as SA [REDACTED] was on surveillance in the vicinity of 15 West 81st Street, at the time in connection with other Soviets living in the neighborhood. The information was obtained under suitable pretext by SA [REDACTED]

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Special Agent in Charge

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[redacted]

SA [redacted] reviewed the official directory, 1969 issue, City of New York, for the inclusion of the name ROBERT G. WILMERS, an employee of the Finance Administration, City of New York. SA [redacted] also caused to be reviewed the records of the Department of Motor Vehicles, NYC, on 10/2/69.

Indices of the NYO contain no information identifiable with ROBERT G. WILMERS.

Investigation of WILMERS will be conducted in accordance with provisions of the Manual of Instructions, Section [redacted] Credit, criminal and background information will be obtained and will be included in the next communication under the title of ROBERT G. WILMERS, [redacted]

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Special Agent in Charge

1-Mr. [redacted]

SAC, [redacted]

1-14-70

Director, FBI [redacted]

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ROBERT G. WILMERS  
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Reurlet 12-22-69 with accompanying LHM bearing same date.

[redacted] advised Bureau through liaison on 1-8-70, that it possessed no information concerning the subject, and that he has never been of operational interest to [redacted]

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NOTE:

Subject is First Deputy Administrator, Department of Finance, City of New York. During surveillance of [redacted] Soviet national employed at UNSEC, New York (NY) observed Soviet in contact with subject. NY instituted investigation and has established that subject is native-born citizen who has been employed by New York City government since 1966. No unfavorable information was developed in course of our investigation and results have been furnished [redacted] in LHM form. This advises NY, who intends to request authority to interview subject, that [redacted] possesses no information concerning subject. Mrs. [redacted] furnished information to Liaison Agent [redacted] on 1-8-70.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: DEC 22 1969

FROM : SAC, [redacted]

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SUBJECT: ROBERT G. WILMERS  
[redacted]  
(OO: NY)

ReBulet to New York, 10/16/69, and New York airtel  
and LHM to Bureau, 10/2/69.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are the original  
and six copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above..

The enclosed LHM has been classified "Confidential"  
since it reflects the Bureau's investigative interest in a Soviet  
employee of the United Nations, who had been observed in the  
company of the subject.

As previously set forth in referenced New York  
airtel and LHM, SAS of the FBI observed [redacted] on  
surveillance on 9/29/69, in contact with an individual  
who was subsequently identified as ROBERT G. WILMERS, 15  
West 81st St., NYC. [redacted] has not been known to have contacted  
the subject since 9/29/69. It is noted that [redacted]  
[redacted] at the UN Secretariat, currently  
resides at the [redacted] which  
[redacted] subject's residence at 15 West 81st,  
NYC.

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NY T-1 mentioned in the LHM is [redacted]  
[redacted] who furnished  
the information on [redacted] to SA [redacted] A T symbol  
is being utilized to conceal [redacted] identity as  
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In view of the subject's contact with [redacted]  
[redacted] on 9/29/69, it is recommended that the subject  
be interviewed. The NYO will submit a 9 point letter  
(Form FD-379) requesting Bureau authority to interview WILMERS.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York

DEC 22 1969

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Re: Robert G. Wilmers

On October 2, 1969, Pauline DeFiore, Credit Bureau of Greater New York, furnished a detailed credit report regarding the subject to a representative of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI):

A current credit report reflects that Robert G. Wilmers is currently residing at 15 West 81st Street, New York, New York, and he is an employee in the New York City Administration of Mayor John Lindsay. Subsequent credit reports disclose that the subject [REDACTED] formerly resided at 161 East 91st Street, New York, 920 Park Avenue, New York City, and 235 East 25th Street, New York City. The subject's former employments were with the Standard Bag Corporation, 29-10 Hunters Point Road, Long Island City, New York as a Financial Credit Analyst from October 15, 1959 to January, 1960 and the Manufacturers Trust Company, 55 Broad Street, New York City, from December 15, 1958 to August 14, 1959 holding the position as that of an executive trainee. Wilmers was also employed by the American and Foreign Power Company, 100 Church Street, New York City, from March 11, 1957 to August 30, 1957 having the position as that of an Advertising Assistant. It was determined through subject's past employments that he was born on April 20, 1934 and had Social Security Number 030-28-1614. The subject [REDACTED]

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ROBERT G. WILMERS  
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You are authorized to interview subject in accordance with instructions contained in Section [redacted] Manual of Instructions, which calls for interview to be conducted in such a manner as to afford subject opportunity to volunteer details of any contacts he may have had with [redacted] or other Soviet nationals.

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You should advise subject of Bureau's jurisdiction and responsibilities in internal security field and inform him that we are seeking his cooperation in a matter of interest to us. You may advise subject that a number of Soviet nationals who are of interest to this Bureau reside in the Excelsior Hotel. You should inquire as to whether or not he was aware of this and if he has ever made the acquaintanceship of any of these Soviets. It is felt that this line of questioning will enable subject to volunteer the extent of his contacts with [redacted] or any other Soviets he may have met and also permit you to assess his potential as an informant.

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You should report results of interview in LHM form suitable for dissemination together with your recommendations for further action in this case.

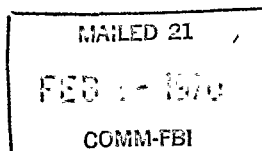
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NOTE:

Based on memorandum [redacted]  
2/3/70, re: Robert G. Wilmers,  
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# Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, [REDACTED]  
FROM : SAC, [REDACTED] (P)

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SUBJECT: ROBERT G. WILMERS  
[REDACTED]  
(OO: NEW YORK)

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NYlet and LHM to Bureau, 12/22/69.

RE: \_\_\_\_\_

Bureau authority is requested to interview subject in accordance with existing instructions relating to interviews of security subjects. Care will be exercised to protect the original source in this matter. No direct questions will be asked during the interview which will disclose to the subject the identity of the official or the establishment contacted, the method used in the contact, or the fact we are aware of the contact. The interview will be conducted in a manner so that the subject will volunteer the details of the contact. If this subject is cooperative, no affirmative steps will be taken during the initial interview to direct his activities, but a separate communication will be directed to the Bureau setting forth the results of the interview and requesting authority to recontact the subject as a potential security informant or double agent.

I. ROBERT WILMERS is currently residing at 15 West 81st Street, NY, NY. WILMERS is an appointed employee in the NYC administration of Mayor JOHN LINDSAY. He is a political appointment by Mayor LINDSAY and is presently the First Deputy Administrator with the Department of Finance with a salary of \$29,400 per annum. The subject is about 36 years old and was born in the US. WILMERS attended Harvard University from September, 1952 through June, 1956, where he received the Degree of Bachelor of Arts. He also attended Harvard Business School from 1957 to 1958, but did not receive a Masters Degree in Business Administration.

II. The subject is

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It is noted that the subject's residence is [REDACTED]

[redacted] a hotel which houses a number of Soviet nationals. b6 b7C

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III. On 9/29/69, at approximately 7:30 p.m. a Special Agent of the FBI observed the subject in contact with [redacted] in front of the [redacted]

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[redacted] is a Soviet national who arrived in the US on [redacted] and [redacted] Office of Conference Services, UN Secretariat. [redacted] has no known intelligence affiliation. It is further noted that [redacted] presently resides at the [redacted]

IV. There is no known past or present subversive activity regarding the subject.

V. There is no known past or present subversive activity in regard to the subject's spouse.

VI. In view of the subject's high position in the NYC administration of Mayor JOHN LINDSAY, and the fact that his residence is located [redacted] to the [redacted] resides, it is felt that the subject could possibly possess excellent informant or double agent potential.

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VII. An interview with the subject is being requested because WILMERS had been observed by a Special Agent of the FBI in contact with [redacted] on 9/2/69. Although the subject appears to [redacted] it is conceivable that the subject might be of possible interest to the Soviets due to his important position in the NYC administration of Mayor JOHN LINDSAY. It is felt that an initial interview with WILMERS to further assess his potential as a PSI, could be of value to the Bureau.

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VIII. An interview with the subject would determine at the outset whether he knows any Soviets, in particular, [redacted]. It is hoped that an interview with the subject might possibly disclose the nature of the subject's association with [redacted]

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It is also expected that the interview with WILMERS would disclose whether or not he is in a position to be of assistance to the Bureau, and to determine his attitude and willingness to be of assistance to the Bureau.

IX. If Bureau authority is granted to interview the subject, an appointment will be made telephonically, and the interview will be conducted at a location which will afford maximum privacy. At the outset of the interview the subject will be advised of the FBI's interest and jurisdiction in the internal security of the US. The subject would be contacted under pretense that certain individuals who reside in close proximity to Soviet nationals, are considered for interview.

If it appears during the interview that WILMERS is cooperative and willing to be of assistance to the Bureau, and if he has been in contact with any Soviet nationals, his potential as a PSI or double agent would be further assessed in this regard.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO

[REDACTED]

FROM

[REDACTED]

SUBJECT: ROBERT G. WILMERS

This authorizes New York to interview subject, First Deputy Administrator with New York City Department of Finance, who was observed in contact with Soviet national to determine extent of his contacts with Soviet national.

During surveillance of [REDACTED] Soviet national [REDACTED] at United Nations Secretariat, Agents observed Soviet [REDACTED] talking with unknown male who was subsequently identified as subject in front of Soviet's residence. [REDACTED] was observed to later join in conversation and to write something on piece of paper which he handed to subject. Subject is native-born citizen approximately 36 years of age who has been affiliated with New York City Government since 1966. He is a political appointment of New York City Mayor John Lindsay. Investigation has established that subject resides [REDACTED] number of other Soviet nationals reside. No unfavorable information developed in our investigation. In 1967 subject, accompanied by two other New York City officials, was interviewed by Bureau official in connection with problem of "bootlegging" of cigarettes in New York City. Bureau's lack of jurisdiction was explained to them. New York has recommended that we interview subject in order to determine his association with [REDACTED] and to evaluate his potential to assist the Bureau.

We should interview subject since we know he was in contact with one Soviet national and his employment would make him attractive target of Soviet intelligence. Subject holds responsible position in New York City Government and we have logical basis for interview since he resides [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] where a number of Soviets reside. New York will explain Bureau's jurisdiction and responsibilities in internal security field. We will seek subject's cooperation and point out that a number of Soviets of interest [REDACTED]

This approach will enable subject to volunteer any contact he may have had with [REDACTED] or any other Soviet national and also afford our New York Office opportunity to assess his potential as informant [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED]

FROM : SAC, [REDACTED] (C)

SUBJECT: ROBERT G. WILMERS  
[REDACTED]  
(OO: NY)

DATE: 3/12/70

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ReBulet 2/4/70, authorizing the interview of  
subject in accordance with instructions contained in Section  
[REDACTED] Manual of Instructions.

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 5 copies  
of an LHM dated and captioned as above, reflecting interview  
of ROBERT G. WILMERS.

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The enclosed LHM is classified "~~Confidential~~"  
inasmuch as it contains information concerning a Soviet  
national, which, due to its sensitive nature, requires State  
Department approval.

The subject was interviewed at his place of  
employment, Morgan Guaranty Trust Company, 23 Wall Street,  
New York, New York, on 3/10/70 by SA [REDACTED]

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During the interview the subject was most  
cooperative and cordial. It was apparent that WILMERS has  
had no real association or contact with Soviet nationals,  
and that [REDACTED] was unknown to WILMERS.  
It is noted that the description of this unknown Soviet whom  
WILMERS engaged in brief conversation, appears to be  
identical to [REDACTED]. It is apparent that  
WILMERS had contact with [REDACTED] only by coincidence  
because their [REDACTED]

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It is noted that WILMERS was observed on 9/29/69,  
in contact with [REDACTED] in front of the [REDACTED]  
just as WILMERS [REDACTED]

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had stated during the interview. It is further noted that [redacted] is no longer residing at the [redacted] and as of [redacted] has been residing at [redacted]

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In view of the above, and the fact that WILMERS has had no occasion to contact any Soviets in connection with his past and current positions, he appears to offer no informant potential. Therefore, this case is being placed in a closed status by the NYO.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York

March 12, 1970

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Robert G. Wilmers

Robert G. Wilmers was interviewed on March 10, 1970 by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) at the Morgan Guaranty Trust Company, 23 Wall Street, New York, New York. Wilmers was advised of the FBI's jurisdiction and responsibilities in the internal security field. He was very cooperative during the interview.

Wilmers is a Vice-President with Morgan Guaranty Trust Company, 23 Wall Street, New York, New York, having left his former position as First Deputy Administrator, New York City Department of Finance in early February, 1970. He presently resides at 15 West 81st Street, New York, New York [REDACTED]

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Wilmers advised that he is aware that [REDACTED] New York, houses many Soviet nationals. Wilmers said that he has never been contacted by any Soviet nationals nor has he had occasion to become acquainted with any Soviets in connection with his former position with the New York City Department of Finance. However, Wilmers advised that on one occasion during September or October, 1969, [REDACTED] in the vicinity of the [REDACTED] and had engaged this Soviet in a brief conversation while the [REDACTED] Wilmers did not recall the Soviet's name,

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